NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MOTOR CARRIER ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION of ISHKRUPA INC. o/a EXPRESS AEROPORT SHUTTLE SERVICES for the issue of a Motor Carrier License

BEFORE: Roland A. Deveau, K.C., Vice Chair

DECISION AND ORDER

Ishkrupa Inc. operating as Express Aeroport Shuttle Services applied to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board on March 4, 2024, for a Motor Carrier License to operate one 15 passenger vehicle for the purposes of transporting persons or groups in an airport shuttle with the following rates, terms, and conditions:

OPERATING AUTHORITY – Schedule F: F(1) SPECIALTY IRREGULAR RESTRICTED AREA PUBLIC PASSENGER CHARTER SERVICE

The transportation of any person, organization, or group to or from the Halifax Stanfield International Airport to or from anywhere in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

VEHICLES – Schedule E(1): One 15-passenger vehicle

RATES, TOLLS, AND CHARGES – Schedule D: D(1) RATES: \$30.00 per person one way

All fees are exclusive of HST and levies.

Notice of the application was published in the Royal Gazette on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, and notice provided to the industry. Two objections were received by the stated deadline of March 27, 2024, from Paul McNeil o/a Halifax Titanic Historical Tours and A World Class Limousine Company Limited. Mr. McNeil withdrew his objection on May 7, 2024.

The application was considered by the Board in a hearing on May 30, 2024.

A World Class Limousine Company Limited did not file evidence and did not appear at the hearing.

Kashyap Patel testified on behalf of the applicant and submitted a business plan as evidence prior to the hearing.

Having considered the *Motor Carrier Act,* including the factors set out in s. 13, the Board finds it is in the public interest to approve the application.

The Board approves the application, and orders that the license be granted, as set out above, subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Order:

- 1. The applicant must ensure the Board is provided with the following information for the vehicle to be added to the license:
 - a. Confirmation of the vehicle, including seating capacity, model, and year;
 - b. A certificate of insurance, in the form required by the Board, certifying that the insurance required by the *Act* is in effect; and
 - c. Confirmation, in the form required by the Board, that an inspector appointed under the *Act* has found the vehicle to be mechanically fit.
- 2. The applicant must ensure that the Board is provided with everything required under section 1 of this Order no later than 60 days after the date of this Order unless a later day is requested by the applicant and approved by the Board.
- 3. The Board will not grant the license if it has not been provided with everything required under section 1 of this Order in the time required under section 2.
- 4. The license is effective on the day that the Board issues the license to the applicant.
- 5. The Board may, at any time or from time to time, amend or suspend the license or may, for cause, and after a hearing upon such notice as the Board may direct, cancel the license.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia this 13th day of June 2024.

Lisa Wallace

Clerk of the Board